## **Surplus Estimates Drop Sharply**

From \$5.6 Trillion Last January to \$1.6 Trillion This January



- We intended to tighten the budget last year—the reason for tax cuts
- Could not anticipate the \$2.1 trillion budget impact of triple threat
  - War
  - Recession
  - National Emergency

**2002-2011 Total (Trillions)**